

REMARKS

Claims 3, 12 and 38 have been amended. New claim 39 has been added. Claims 3-25, 27, 37 and 38-39 are pending and under consideration.

Independent claim 3 (used as an example herein) recites acquiring program guide information of the accessible channels being broadcast from a tuner in response to the program guide command and displaying the written program list to a user in response to the program guide command, simultaneously with the acquiring of the program guide information.

In contrast, Cuccia teaches displaying EPG information by using a single tuner, but does not teach that acquiring the program guide information is simultaneous with the displaying a program list. Cuccia, col. 4, ln. 36-55.

Furthermore, Mankovitz teaches that a viewer can tune and display channels from one television signal source while the VCR 740 scans the other television signal sources for guide information. Mankovitz, col. 8, ln. 11-22. Furthermore, this reference teaches that a viewer can select a television signal source, but the scanned signal sources are different from the tuned and displayed signal sources. Mankovitz, col. 8, ln. 23-28.

New claim 39 is similarly patentable over the cited references.

The remaining references do not overcome these deficiencies. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of new claim 39 is requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

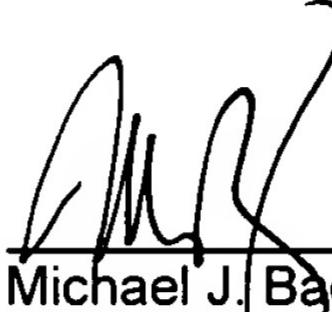
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